

84TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 53

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 24, 1955

Mr. JUDD submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1       *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2       *concurring)*, That there is hereby established a Joint Com-  
3       mittee on Intelligence Matters to be composed of nine  
4       Members of the Senate to be appointed by the President  
5       of the Senate, and nine Members of the House of Repre-  
6       sentatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
7       Representatives. In each instance not more than five  
8       Members shall be members of the same political party.

9       SEC. 2. The joint committee shall make continuing  
10       studies of the intelligence activities and problems relating to  
11       the gathering of intelligence affecting the national security  
12       and of its coordination and utilization by the various de-

1 partments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Govern-  
2 ment. The Central Intelligence Agency and related intel-  
3 ligence services shall keep the joint committee fully and cur-  
4 rently informed with respect to their activities. All bills,  
5 resolutions, and other matters in the Senate or the House of  
6 Representatives relating primarily to the Central Intelli-  
7 gence Agency and related intelligence services shall be re-  
8 ferred to the joint committee. The members of the joint  
9 committee who are Members of the Senate shall from time to  
10 time report to the Senate, and the members of the joint  
11 committee who are Members of the House of Representatives  
12 shall from time to time report to the House, by bill or  
13 otherwise, their recommendations with respect to matters  
14 within the jurisdiction of their respective Houses which are  
15 (1) referred to the joint committee or (2) otherwise within  
16 the jurisdiction of the joint committee.

17 SEC. 3. Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-  
18 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members  
19 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall be  
20 filled in the same manner as in the case of the original  
21 selection. The joint committee shall select a chairman and  
22 a vice chairman from among its members.

23 SEC. 4. The joint committee, or any duly authorized  
24 subcommittee thereof, is authorized to hold such hearings, to

1 sit and act at such places and times, to require, by subpoena or  
2 otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the produc-  
3 tion of such books, papers, and documents, to administer  
4 such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such printing  
5 and binding, and to make such expenditures as it deems  
6 advisable. The cost of stenographic services to report such  
7 hearings shall not be in excess of 25 cents per hundred words.

8 SEC. 5. The joint committee is empowered to appoint  
9 such experts, consultants, technicians, and clerical and steno-  
10 graphic assistants as it deems necessary and advisable. The  
11 committee is authorized to utilize the services, information,  
12 facilities, and personnel of the departments and establish-  
13 ments of the Government.

14 SEC. 6. The expenses of the joint committee, which shall  
15 not exceed \$ per year, shall be paid one-half from  
16 the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half from the con-  
17 tingent fund of the House of Representatives upon vouchers  
18 signed by the chairman. Disbursements to pay such ex-  
19 penses shall be made by the Secretary of the Senate out of  
20 the contingent fund of the Senate, such contingent fund to  
21 be reimbursed from the contingent fund of the House of Rep-  
22 resentatives in the amount of one-half of the disbursement  
23 so made.

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